

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

Please find accompanying this response a replacement sheet for Fig. 3 wherein the arrow indicating the radius accompanying the reference symbol r has been corrected to indicate the radius of the ball (23).

REMARKS

Claims 12-15 remain pending in this application. Claims 9-15 are rejected. Claim 16 is objected to. Claims 9-11 and 16 are cancelled herein. Claims 1-8 are previously cancelled.

The Office Action states that claim 16 contains allowable subject matter. Claim 12 is amended herein to incorporate the structural limitations recited in claim 16, thereby putting the allowable subject matter into independent form. Claim 12 is also amended herein to correct typographical errors. Therefore, claim 12 has been put into form for allowance.

Claims 13-15 depend from claim 12 which, as discussed above, has been put into form for allowance. Thus, Applicants respectfully aver that claims 13-15 are also in proper form for allowance.

Fig. 3 is amended herein so that the arrow for the radius accompanying the reference symbol r correctly indicates the radius of the ball (23), as described on page 9 of the specification.

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No fee is believed due. If there is any fee due the USPTO is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 10-1250.

In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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Enc: Replacement sheets of Fig. 3.